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# **Advisory Announcement**

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# 2022/23 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following area will be closed for the remainder of the 2022/23 season:

#### District 13

Sitka Sound, Krestof Sound, and Nakwasina Sound (Subdistricts 113-40, 41, 42, and 43).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 28, 2022:

#### District 1

Willard and Fillmore Inlets (Subdistrict 101-11-002).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 28, 2022, and from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 29, 2022:

#### District 2

Clarence Strait (Subdistrict 102-50).

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 28, 2022, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 29, 2022:

#### District 9

Eastern Baranof Island (Subdistrict 109-20);

#### **District 11**

Southern Lynn Canal, East Mansfield Peninsula, and Auke Bay (Subdistrict 111-50);

#### District 12

Howard Bay and Couverden Island area (portions of Subdistricts 112-15 and 61 and 114-25);

Eastern Chatham Strait, Wilson Cove, Whitewater Bay, and Chaik Bay (Subdistricts 112-18, 19, 80, and 90).

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 28, 2022, and from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 29, 2022:

#### District 1

George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet (Subdistricts 101-40, 44, 45, 46, and 48);

East Behm Canal and Smeaton Bay (Subdistricts 101-51 and 55);

Rudyerd Bay, East Behm Canal, and Walker Cove (Subdistricts 101-51, 60, 71, and 73);

North Behm Canal (Subdistrict 101-80);

#### District 2

Cholmondeley Sound (Subdistrict 102-40);

#### District 12

Freshwater Bay and Western Chatham Strait (Subdistricts 112-12, 13, and 50).

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial sea cucumber fishery announcement dated August 26, 2022, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels (GHL). The next advisory announcement following this opening will be available on **Thursday, December 1, 2022**.

### State offices will be closed Thursday, November 24, 2022, for Thanksgiving.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M3322.

2022/23 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery Statistical Week 48

	Statistical		Harvest	Remaining					
Area Description	Area(s) GHL		to Date	GHL					
Willard and Fillmore Inlets	101-11-002	52,200	***	***					
Revilla Channel and S Clarence Strait	101-21	51,300	41,007	CLOSED					
Revilla Channel and Felice Strait	101-23	226,100	221,460	60 <b>CLOSED</b>					
George Inlet, Bold Island, and Carroll Inlet	101-40,44,45,46,48	187,300	108,706	78,594					
Tongass Narrows	101-47	95,900	90,530	CLOSED					
East Behm Canal and Smeaton Bay	101-51,55	91,800	25,097	66,703					
Rudyerd Bay, E Behm, Walker Cove	101-51,60,71,73	53,600	0	53,600					
North Behm Canal	101-80	73,100	25,782	47,318					
Cholmondeley Sound	102-40	227,500	162,712	64,788					
Clarence Strait	102-50	111,000	91,922	19,078					
Northern Clarence Strait	106-10,20,22,25	170,700	177,170	CLOSED					
Eastern Baranof Island	109-20	45,800	***	***					
Pybus Bay and The Brothers Islands	110-21,22	98,800	94,393	CLOSED					
S Lynn Canal, E Manfield, and Auke Bay	111-50	20,900	***	***					
Freshwater Bay and W Chatham Strait	112-12,13,50	133,400	***	***					
Howard Bay and Couverden Island	112-15,61;114-25	26,900	***	***					
E Chatham, Wilson, Whitewater & Chaik	112-18,19,80,90	42,700	***	***					
Sitka, Krestof, and Nakwasina Sound	113-40,41,42,43	134,600	135,833	CLOSED					
Hoonah Sound	113-55,56,57,58	118,700	116,908	CLOSED					
Totals		1,962,300	1,422,013	540,287					

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Confidential data

Advisory announcement web site: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</a>.

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